

## THE FLAG OF DISTRESS.

**WEAKER LEAGUE CLUBS MAKE A DEMAND TO BE STRENGTHENED.**

**New York Club to Release Several Players**  
—An Appeal to Boston—The Club at the End of Month—Todays—Standings—Baseball Game—Records of the Club.

The special meeting which the National League will hold this morning in the Fifth Avenue Hotel will have a particularly important part, judging from the feelings of some of the managers who have not enjoyed a very remunerative season; the deliberations will probably be of a more oratorical character than is usually observed at the League's conference.

Ever since the distribution of players, in conformity with the law as laid down by the League at its meeting in Indianapolis last winter, there have been mutterings of discontent among several of the clubs, who think they have been unjustly discriminated against. From the period that the teams were fully made up, the New York Club men manifested their displeasure with the manner in which they had been treated. As the best baseball city in the country they claim, and justly, too, they should have had a team in keeping with the merits of the city. But they were allotted several players who, in the main, had proved themselves totally inferior to those sent to the reputation of a great city like New York.

Then St. Louis and a couple of other good baseball cities, who contend that the New York players were held over, were around. Boston seems to have secured the cream of the profession. From the record of playing, it is clear that Boston is the Boston, the Boston, not the dangerous antagonist. The fine record of the Brooklins, however, is not due to any extraordinary individual, but to the fact that they did not let any grass grow under their feet when he wanted a particular man to fill a certain position, and to the fact that they had a workman and good generalship of Manager Ward.

To place all the clubs more upon an equality is what the League men who, rightly, desire at the present time. They can do this by making a special appeal to have their team strengthened. Bassett, Fields, and probably other men will be willing to give up one of their rosters who want to go. It will be very necessary, therefore, that the club should be recruited up to a high standard at once. Then the other clubs will be compelled to give one or two outfielders. It is pointed out that Boston has an extra man for the field and the others, this question is now asked, "What about the fielder?"

In speaking of their unfortunate condition, one of the New York lads says:

"After the League had rebuked us of Danny Richardson we set about to get a second base, but our efforts proved unsuccessful, so some of us turned to Bassett, who appears to be dissatisfied with his lot here, and he does not care to play ball under Capt. Ewing. For that reason we are not strong enough to be ranked as a good man, for another player, but failed. It was our intention to give Mack a trial as second, but he did not report in good condition. We are now looking for a new comrade, and have been skirmishing for a month past with a view of strengthening the weak position, but have not been able to get our desired player."

"We are willing to spend money to get a good team, but we can't easily dispense with losses of Lowell, Bennett, Ganzel, or Kelly. The Brooklins have also three catchers, Daly, Doherty, and Kavanagh, who can share one of them, but, in view of the increasing strength of the team, One thing is certain, at the meeting to-day the League will have to do something to help us. If any delegate shows me where I can get a first-class man by paying for him I will consider it a favor. The New York Club is willing to pay for good players."

### Standing of the Ball Clubs.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Team	W	L	D	P	GP	GB
Boston	10	12	0	24	22	1
Cincinnati	10	12	0	24	22	1
Chicago	10	12	0	24	22	1
Cleveland	10	12	0	24	22	1
New York	10	12	0	24	22	1
Pittsburgh	10	12	0	24	22	1
St. Louis	10	12	0	24	22	1
Baltimore	10	12	0	24	22	1
Philadelphia	10	12	0	24	22	1
Games lost	12	15	20	22	25	25
Total	103	112	12	248	218	19

PROVIDENCE, R. I.—NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT.—June 12.—Providence gained a forfeited game from New Haven, and the latter, after a hard contest in the eighth inning, which ended in a tie, and practically had the game won, New Haven was beaten by a score of 10 to 9. The game was won by the home team, and the ball and bench, notwithstanding what had been given for better satisfaction, than their previous efforts, because insufficient, and was fined \$5 twice, though it was a tie. He was ordered to sit down, and called him to sit down again, and forced him to sit down, and called him to sit down again, as he threatened, and found he had the required number of strikes. The game was then suspended, and awarded to Providence, who forfeited a score of 10 to 9. The score:

Providence..... 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 5  
New Haven..... 1 0 0 0 2 0 0 1 8  
Races, hits—Providence, 11; New Haven, 10. Errors—Providence, 3; New Haven, 1. Pitchers—Sullivan and Clegg.

AT BOSTON.—Score:

Rochester..... 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 4 0—5  
Boston..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0  
Bases hit—Rochester, S.; Birmingham, 0; Everett, 1; Boston, 1; Pittsfield, 1. Pitchers—Meakin and Fitzgerald.

AT ALBANY.—Score:

Albany..... 0 0 0 2 0 0 1 0 8  
Buffalo..... 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 2  
Bases hit—Albany, 1; Buffalo, 1. Pitchers—Doran and Cowles.

AMATEUR LEAGUE.

AT NEW YORK.—Score:

Platen Island A. C. .... 1 2 1 4  
New Jersey A. C. .... 0 1 0 0  
Platen Island C. .... 0 2 0 0

CENTRAL NEW JERSEY LEAGUE.

AT NEW YORK.—Score:

Plainfield..... 1 2 2 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Elizabeth..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Somerville..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
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